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Big Ghost Story

The general query around Marquand at this time is, "anything about the haunted house?" It seems that this house is located about one-half mile north of Beasville and was owned by Andrew Whitener some five years ago.

Strange and weird tales are now told of happenings in the vicinity of the house, one of which is that about nineteen months ago a lady living in the house started to Marquand afoot. When about a mile and a half from Beasville, she was accosted by an Indian chief, who informed her that near Union church, on Crooked creek, a large amount of money was buried. The "chief" described the spot very minutely and after imparting this information the "chief" vanished into air.

It is said that Will Collins met this spirit chief and had a talk with him and he also told Will about the money and where it was buried and went with him to the spot and told him to dig.

Two more persons living in the vicinity of Beasville have run across the "chief" and money has always been his theme. It is said that the "chief" held quite a lengthy conversation with one of the people living in that community and imparted to him the following story as to how the money came to be buried in that particular location.

"Many years ago the Mexicans would travel from their home country to Mine La Motte, the trip being made to get lead, which was hauled to the river and sold.

One old Mexican prospector, named Juan Jesus de Gascero, had been particularly fortunate and had accumulated a large amount of money. He had a beautiful daughter who had shared with him the privations and hardships endured while working at Mine La Motte. He started for his home in Mexico with his daughter, intending to live in comfort the balance of his days.

When he left Mine La Motte he was followed and when near the spot where this house stands, he was set upon, killed and robbed, and his daughter outraged and killed by four men who had followed them.

It is said that he carried his money, which was in gold coin, in three old pots which were sealed up and swung across a mule which carried their other luggage.

The robbers, after securing the treasure, had a falling out among themselves as to a division of the money and one night before a division had been made and while the money was still in the pots, one of the Mexicans stealthily arose and killed his three companions, throwing their bodies in Crooked creek. He, then fearing to take the money with him, buried it in the sands of Crooked creek. On his way back to Mine La Motte he stole a horse, was captured by a posse and hung, and his ill gotten money never did him any good. It is said to be the spirit of the murdered Mexican who hovers around that country in the guise of an Indian chief."

Be that as it may, several parties have prospected in the vicinity of Union church, three holes have been dug, one of which is about 14 feet deep. It is also said that the spirit of the girl is often seen around the place. One lady stated that she saw the girl at the house and that she was dressed entirely in black with a bible in her hand. The vision was also seen by other parties.

Steve Huffman, who slept in the house one night, says he was awakened about midnight by a spirit walking about the room and finally a hand rested on his shoulder. It was a woman's hand and he took hold of it and pushed it off his shoulder, but was unable to see any face. Other parties who have seen and conversed with the spirit say that they were told that the money would be found by parties digging for it, but not before about September 15.

Whether there is anything to this weird tale or not your correspondent is unable to say, but one thing certain, it has some of the people in the neighborhood of Beasville worked up.—Marquand cor. to Fredericktown Democrat-News.

The Blue Back Speller

While in Dallas I recently procured a copy of Webster's "Blue Back Speller." How familiar it looked. Hastily I opened it to see if there were any changes. No it was the same. "Ba-ker" is still there. Further over is "cher-u-bim and por-cu-pine" then "un-in-til-l-gi-bil-ity and in-com-pre-hen-si-bil-ity."

There is a picture of a man casting a stone at a boy in the apple tree. How I did love to look at that apple when a boy. Then the fable of the judge whose ox had gored another, the cat and the rat, etc. In the back of the book are "tele-moynary" and other specially difficult words. We were drilled in that book, over and over, until we knew every word by heart. I am reminded also of the advantage of those days. We had no patent desks, but sat on benches without backs, and let our feet swing off. When

writing time came we drew the benches to a wide board along the side of the wall while we followed laboriously copy set us in home-made copy books. Tablets were unknown and half a lead pencil was a treasure. Vivid impressions were made on us in those days, not only mentally, but physically. But I forbear indulging in other reminiscences. The passing years have brought vastly improved methods and equipment in education, but the old blue back has never been surpassed as a spelling book.—Baptist Visitor.

Cambridge Springs, Pa.

Editor Press: Although 800 miles from dear old Bollinger county, THE PRESS finds its way here promptly every week.

The Cambridge Springs are medicinal mineral springs. The climate here is delightful and the surroundings are beautiful. Golf, tennis, boating, fishing, saddling and autoing, Turkish and Russian baths and theatricals are some of the amusements.

Hotel Rhider is said to be the most completely appointed and perfectly equipped resort hotel in the world. There are 400 guest rooms which will accommodate 800 persons. There are four floors of sleeping rooms above the main or office floor, also, a basement and a roof garden.

The grand lobby with its side corridors contains 15,000 square feet floor space. On the seventh floor are the sun parlors and open roof gardens. Still higher up is a spacious observation balcony, 250 feet above the streets of the town and over 1500 feet above sea level. From this balcony one can see 25 miles. Every house in the town and about 100 farms can be seen from the balcony.

This building covers a whole block and is constructed of stone and brick at a cost of \$750,000. This writer had honor of being shown through this grand building by Mr. Rider in person.

This town is situated 148 miles north of Pittsburgh, just midway between New York and Chicago, and only a few miles south of Lake Erie. This is a delightful place in which to spend the hot summer months.

The people here are kind and industrious and most of them are well to do. Wheat, timothy, Irish potatoes and buck wheat are the principal crops. With best wishes to THE PRESS and many readers, I will close.

W. C. MYERS.

Southeast News.

Fredericktown Democrat-News. B. F. Carter, a well known citizen of Lodi, Wayne county, was adjudged a bankrupt in the United States bankruptcy court this week. His liabilities are placed at \$12,000 and his assets at about \$1,000.

Poplar Bluff Citizen-Democrat. The drainage of 150,000 acres of land will open up to cultivation one of the richest agricultural districts in the world—it's in Butler county. Settlement will be rapid and the growth and prosperity of this district will be assured. Many persons have waited long for this movement to be inaugurated.

Caruthersville Democrat. A blind horse was rescued from the river in front of this city the first of the week. It was grazing on the bank near Gayoso, six miles north of here and tumbled into the flood and floated down stream. It had probably been in the water several hours, but was little the worse for its experience.

Fiat River News. The friends of Wm. H. Lewis, formerly of the Lead Belt News and former representative from this county, extend sympathy to him in the loss of his mother, whose death occurred at her home in Potosi July 11. She leaves three children.—Dr. James J. Will, and Miss Hattie, all grown. Burial was at Potosi Monday.

Ironton Register. A committee, representing the

Epworth League, was here last week viewing sites for an Assembly ground in the valley. It is said that the committee was most favorably impressed with the Kath's place, east of the convent, in Arcadia. The price of the place is \$9,000. The committee says they will locate there provided residents of the valley put up a bonus of \$1500. The league, it is announced, would at once spend \$50,000 in improvements.

New Madrid Southeast Missourian.

Prosecuting Attorney H. C. Riley, Jr., received notice Monday that on July 11, Pink Scott shot and killed Pat Cecil. The two men were laborers at the Anderson mill, at Gideon, and had gone down in the woods Sunday to have a game of cards, and while thus engaged the shooting occurred. Scott firing his pistol three times at Cecil. Scott absconded and no trace of him was found Tuesday, when this item was written. Cecil leaves a wife and children.

Van Buren Local.

There is serious talk of Grandin becoming a school town in the near future, the town site being offered by the manager of the company to any religious body which will take charge and establish a college and maintain it properly in future. It is rumored that the Congregational church there will undertake the charge and that a college which has hitherto existed at Rogers, Arkansas will be removed and established there. Such an institution of learning will doubtless do well at Grandin if properly managed and we should be very glad to see it founded.

Caruthersville Democrat.

A. J. Brown was shot and killed by Arch Williams near Steele, ten miles south of here early this morning. Both men were farmers, Brown living on Williams' place, and had their crops on adjoining land. They had gone out to hoe cotton when Williams, it is said, returned to his home, a short distance away, secured a gun and shot Brown dead. Brown and Williams have been having trouble for a year or so over their farm work and fence. About two weeks ago Brown shot Williams, but the wound was not serious and he soon recovered. Brown was arrested and given a preliminary trial before Esquire Doerner. He was bound over to Circuit court, charged with felonious assault with intent to kill. Failing to give bond, he remained in jail for awhile and had been released only a few days when he was killed by Williams.

Caruthersville Democrat.

For several days the Mississippi river has been rising rapidly at this place and will continue for several days to come, which will bring the flood over the banks and cause considerable damage to the crops on the river side of the levee and on the Tennessee side, which has no protection. The flood has come out of both the Missouri and Ohio rivers and when the crest of the flood has reached here it will be the highest water in 65 years. In the protection of crops our levee system will be worth its entire cost this season, for without it, Pemiscot county would be flooded from one to ten feet during the next ten days. Several of the farmers from the Tennessee side have been in the city yesterday and today, and they report most of the crops as being subject to total loss. Bunk Powell of this city has 65 acres of corn on the Tennessee side, which will doubtless be destroyed, and, of course, many others will suffer like and even greater loss.

Cape Girardeau News.

Mr. F. S. White, agricultural and horticultural commissioner of the Frisco railway, has arranged to make an exhibit at the National

Horticultural congress at Council Bluffs, Ia., next November and will make an effort to have all sections adjacent to the Frisco system represented. To this end a circular letter has been addressed to the newspapers and leading horticulturists of southeast Missouri, asking their cooperation in the matter. Mr. White says that with such fruits as this section has been able to produce, a splendid showing can be made. All who are interested in this matter are invited to correspond with Mr. White or with Mr. Baker, the commercial agent of the Frisco system at Cape Girardeau. Arrangements will be made to preserve peaches, grapes, plums and other fruits in glass and solutions, and each exhibit will be properly labeled. Mr. White will take pleasure in giving instructions as to how to pack and ship fruit, or will have some one come after it if he is notified. This will be a splendid opportunity to show people of other sections what southeast Missouri can do in the way of producing fine fruits, and there should be many exhibits from this section at Council Bluffs.

Crops for Overflowed Lands

Numerous inquiries are reaching the experiment station regarding crops for planting on the recently overflowed lands and in order that the information may reach as many farmers as possible the following suggestions have been prepared for publication:

Owing to the lateness of the season it will be impossible with a normal fall to plant corn that will mature unless a very early variety be used such as Pride of the North or Northern Queen and this gotten in by July 20th or 25th. Corn planted the last week in July will make good feed if the season is favorable but will very probably not mature.

Cowpeas can be sown up until the last of July in Central Missouri and make good hay, especially if an early variety like the New Era is used. The Whip-poorwill will also make good hay if gotten in by the 20th or 25th. They should be sown with a grain drill at the rate of four or five pecks per acre. They may be broadcasted, but a stand is less sure. They may also be drilled thickly with a corn planter and cultivated, but the hay is not handled so easily when sown in this way. They will make excellent roughage to feed in connection with sorghum or corn fodder.

Sorghum can well be sown up until the last week in July. The Early Amber is best. It may be sown either with a drill or broadcasted at the rate of four or five pecks per acre, or it may be drilled with a corn planter and cultivated. Drilling with a grain drill is preferable for this season of the year. Cowpeas or clover hay should be fed with it.

Millet can, of course, be sown with fair results any time in July. Sown alone it is broadcasted or drilled at the rate of three or four pecks per acre. It may be mixed with cowpeas by broadcasting a half bushel of millet and following with a grain drill sowing a half bushel of cowpeas per acre. A good mixture can thus be secured with reasonably favorable weather.

Rape may be sown any time in July. It is best sown broadcast at the rate of four or five pounds per acre on a seed bed reasonably well prepared and lightly harrowed in. When sown in this way it will make excellent hog or sheep pasture after the middle of September. The Dwarf Essex variety is standard.

Rye or wheat sown during August will make excellent fall and winter pasture if the season is reasonably favorable. They should be drilled rather deep at the rate of 6 pecks per acre.

The experiment station will furnish on application a list of seed dealers having the various seeds for sale.

M. F. MILLER,

Missouri College of Agriculture and Experiment Station, Columbia, Mo.

INCANDESCENT KEROSENE OIL LAMP BURNER

The Saxonia light— as any lamp and produces gas 4000 ft. of work, a soft white, steady, safe, so called, power in an incandescent gas light. No smoke or odor. Burns one third oil of ordinary lamp. One 100 ft. candle gas. One-half cost of electricity. Price for dealer, booklet (two Agents wanted) U. S. A. Lighting Co.

State Sales Office, Cape Girardeau, Mo.

An Ordinance to Regulate the Erection of Telephone Lines in the Village of Marble Hill.

Be it ordained by the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Marble Hill as follows:

Section 1. Any telephone company or companies desiring to construct, operate and maintain a telephone line or lines within the village of Marble Hill is hereby authorized to set poles, pins, abutments, cables and other fixtures along and across any of the public roads, streets, avenues and alleys of this village, subject to the regulations herein provided.

Section 2. All of the poles which may be placed or erected for the purpose of said telephone system or systems shall be either cedar, cypress, white oak or post oak, not less than five inches in diameter at the small end, and shall be smooth, straight and symmetrical, and shall be securely and substantially set in the ground not less than four and one-half feet deep. They shall be set in the ground on the sidewalks immediately inside of the outside curb line of said sidewalk where there is a sidewalk on said road, street or avenue when said poles shall be erected, and in case there is no sidewalk or ground dedicated to public use for the same, then poles shall be placed or erected by the consent of and under the supervision of the street committee and the street commissioner. And, wherever it is practicable to do so, all poles shall be set or erected on the dividing line between the lots along said road, street, avenue or alley. The wires shall be not less than sixteen feet from the ground, and poles, wires, cables, abutments and other fixtures shall be set or erected in such a manner as to not interfere in any way with the public use of said roads, streets, avenues or alleys, nor with any shade trees that may now be growing or that may hereafter grow or be planted or set on the private lots or the roads, streets, avenues, alleys or sidewalks, and the erection of said poles, wires, cables, abutments and other fixtures shall be under the direction of the street committee and street commissioner of said village. Whenever any cables, poles or abutments are set in the ground, the road, street, avenue, alley or sidewalk shall be immediately restored to the same condition as it was before such pole or other fixtures was set.

Section 3. Any telephone company or companies that may desire to construct or operate telephone system or systems within this village shall first make application to and obtain the consent of the board of trustees of said village, and the board of trustees shall have power to enter into a contract with said telephone company or companies and may charge said company or companies a reasonable amount for the privilege of entering and operating their system or systems within this village, provided said trustees shall not grant an absolute franchise to any telephone company or companies to operate their lines within this village.

Passed and approved this July 6, 1909.

W. A. DUNN,
Chairman Board of Trustees.
G. B. SCHER, Village Clerk.

Order of Publication.

STATE OF MISSOURI,
County of Bollinger, ss.

In the Circuit court of Bollinger county, Missouri, September Term, A. D., 1909. Order of publication by the clerk in vacation.

Newton E. Talient, plaintiff
Against
Lucia E. Talient, defendant.

On this 30th day of July, A. D., 1909, comes the plaintiff in the above entitled cause, before the undersigned Clerk of the Circuit court of Bollinger county, Missouri, in vacation, and files his petition and affidavit, stating among other things that the above named defendant is not a resident of this state. It is therefore ordered by the clerk aforesaid, in vacation, that publication be made notifying her, the said defendant, that an action has been commenced against her, by petition, in the Circuit court of Bollinger county, by the plaintiff in the above entitled cause, the object and general nature of which is to obtain a decree divorcing plaintiff from her, the said defendant, on the ground and for the reason that said defendant, wholly disregarding her duties as the wife of said plaintiff, did on the 1st day of July, 1908, and at divers other times before and after said date commit adultery.

That unless the said defendant be and appear at the next term of said court to be held at the courthouse in the town of Marble Hill, within and for Bollinger county, aforesaid, on the second Monday in September next, 1909, and on or before the first day of said term, answer or plead to the petition, the same will be taken as confessed and judgment rendered accordingly.

It is further ordered that a copy hereof

be published, according to law, in THE MARBLE HILL PRESS, a weekly newspaper published in Bollinger county, Missouri. JESSE A. MCGLOTHLIN, Clerk.

A true copy of the original order of publication in the cause therein named, now on file in my office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my official seal at office in Marble Hill, Missouri, this 30th day of July, 1909.

JESSE A. MCGLOTHLIN, Clerk.
Circuit Court of Bollinger county.

Notice of Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given to all creditors and others interested in the estate of August Sander, deceased, that I, C. A. Sander, executor of said estate, intend to make final settlement thereof at the next term of the Probate court of Bollinger county, State of Missouri, to be held at Marble Hill on the 10th day of August, 1909.

C. A. SANDER, Executor.

Notice of Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given to all creditors and others interested in the estate of Arthur Johnson, deceased, that I, T. B. Drum, administrator of said estate, intend to make final settlement thereof at the next term of the Probate court of Bollinger county, State of Missouri, to be held at Marble Hill on the 10th day of August, 1909.

T. B. DRUM, Administrator.

Notice of Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given to all creditors and others interested in the estate of Thomas Jann, deceased, that I, T. B. Drum, executor of said estate, intend to make final settlement thereof at the next term of the Probate court of Bollinger county, State of Missouri, to be held at Marble Hill on the 10th day of August, 1909.

T. B. DRUM, Executor.

Notice of Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given to all creditors and others interested in the estate of Lindsay Murdoch, deceased, that I, Mary Murdoch, administratrix of said estate, intend to make final settlement thereof at the next term of the Probate court of Bollinger county, State of Missouri, to be held at Marble Hill on the 10th day of August, 1909.

MARY MURDOCH, Administratrix.

Notice of Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given to creditors and all others interested in the estate of James H. Martin, deceased, that I, the undersigned administrator of said estate, intend to make final settlement thereof at the next term of the Probate court of Bollinger county, Missouri, to be held at the courthouse in Marble Hill on the second Monday of August next.

W. K. CHANDLER,
Administrator of the estate of James H. Martin, deceased.
Marble Hill, Mo., Jan. 7, 1909.

NOTICE

State of Missouri,
County of Bollinger, ss.

Notice is hereby given that the County court will receive proposals to furnish thirty (30) cords of four-foot wood for courthouse, to be delivered on public square; bids to be filed with the clerk of the County court on or before 12:00 o'clock, noon, August 9, 1909. Said bids to be publicly opened by the County court at noon on said 9th day of August, 1909.

The court reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Done by order of the County court.
Given under my hand and the seal of the County court at Bollinger county, [L.S.] Missouri, at my office in Marble Hill, this 30th day of July, 1909.

Wm. AKERNATHY,
Clerk of the County Court.

TRUSTEE'S SALE

By virtue of a deed of trust executed by Charles Richards and Lela Richards, his wife, dated the 25 day of January, 1908, and recorded in the record book 52, at page 152, one of the land records of Bollinger county, Missouri, made to secure the payment of one certain promissory note therein described, which now is past due and unpaid, the said C. R. C. Tucker, trustee, at the request of the legal holder of said note, will, on

FRIDAY, JULY 23, 1909, at the north door of the courthouse in the town of Marble Hill, Bollinger county, Missouri, between the hours of 9 o'clock in the forenoon and 5 o'clock in the afternoon, sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, the real estate in said deed of trust described, to-wit:

The northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section eight (8) of township thirty-one (31) north of range nine (9) east, containing forty (40) acres more or less, in the county of Bollinger, state of Missouri, to satisfy said deed of trust.

R. C. TUCKER, Trustee.